

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A dielectric ceramic composition comprising 100 parts by mole of BaTiO₃, x₁ parts by mole of MnO, x₂ parts by mole of Cr₂O₃, x₃ parts by mole of Y₂O₃ and/or Ho₂O₃, x₄ parts by mole of oxide selected from the group consisting of BaO, CaO and SrO, and x₅ parts by mole of SiO₂ and/or GeO₂,

wherein $0.5 \leq x_1 \leq 4.5$, $0.05 \leq x_2 \leq 1.0$, $x_1 + x_2 \leq 4.55$, $0.25 \leq x_3 \leq 1.5$, $0.5 \leq x_4 \leq 6$ and $0.5 \leq x_5 \leq 6$.

2. (Original) The dielectric ceramic composition according to claim 1, further comprising 0.01 to 1.0 part by mole of V₂O₅.

3. (Original) The dielectric ceramic composition according to claim 1, further comprising 0.2 to 1.0 part by mole of Al₂O₃ and/or B₂O₃.

4. (Original) The dielectric ceramic composition according to claim 2, further comprising 0.2 to 1.0 part by mole of Al₂O₃ and/or B₂O₃.

5. (Currently Amended) A multilayer ceramic capacitor comprising a laminated structure of a ceramic dielectric and an electrode;

wherein the ceramic dielectric is made of a dielectric ceramic composition as set forth in ~~any one of claims 1-4~~ claim 1; and

wherein the electrode is made of Ni or an alloy containing Ni.

6. (Currently Amended) An electronic component including a portion made of the dielectric ceramic composition as set forth in ~~any one of claims 1-4~~ claim 1.